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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: Y. KANEDA et al

For:

**DATA STORAGE SYSTEM, DATA STORAGE APPARATUS,
COMPUTERS AND PROGRAMS**

Enclosed are:



9 Sheets of Drawings



This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.



Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2002-344812 (which is hereby
filed November 28, 2002. ☒ A certified copy is attached herewith. **incorporated by
reference**)



Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and
☐ discussed in the specification or ☐ attached Information Disclosure Statement.



Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is hereby claimed.



Specification: Abstract X, Description 34 pages; and 13 claim(s).



Preliminary Amendment.



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